Introduction of Pair Gain System

*348. SHRIMATI SARALA MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Department of Telecommunications has introduced 'The Pair Gain System' from indigenous sources;

(b) if so, what is capability of each such system;

(c) what is the number of such system procured from each supplier and at what cost during the last five years;

(d) what has been the distribution of these systems between different circles and how many have been installed and commissioned so far; and

(e) what has been the subscribers' reaction to the use of this technology?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Following are the two types of system in use of Department of Telecommunications:—

(i) 1+1 Subscriber Carrier System which provides two connections on one physical copper cable pair.

(ii) 1+7 Subscriber Carrier System which provides eight connections on one physical copper cable pair.

(c) The information is given in the Statement—I (*See* below).

(d) The details of distribution for centrally purchased equipments are given in Statement—II (*See* below).

(e) No complaints from the subscribers.

Statement – I

Sl. No.	Name of the supplier	Capacity of the System	No. of Systems Procured during the last five years	Cost per System (in Rs.) @		
1.	M/s. NATELCO, Nasik	1+1	6979	6681 + Taxes		
2.	M/s. HFCL, Solan	1+1	4237			
3.	M/s. NATELCO, Nasik	1+7	3170			
4.	M/s. HFCL, Solan	1+7	9676	93-94	94-95	95-96
5.	Ramson Communications Ltd., New Delhi.	1+7	2204	59390 +Taxes	57390 +Taxes	43,000 (Provisional)

Statement – II

Orders placed for 1+7 Subscriber Carrier System

Sl. No.	Name of Firm	Qty.	Rate/Unit		Distribution
1.	M/s Ramsan Communications Ltd., 41—A, Phase—II, Mayapuri Industrial Estate, New Delhi, Order placed on 15.3.94	402	71,268	Calcutta Distt,	50
				Pune Distt.	20
				Rajasthan	25
				Haryana	30
				Maharashtra	30
				Karnataka	46
				U.P.	201
					402
2.	M/s National Telecom of India Ltd; F-16/17, Commerce Centre, 78, Tardeo Road, Bombay	268	71,268	Ahmedabad Distt.	50
				Calcutta Distt.	50
				Gujarat	98
				Maharashtra	50
				U.P.	20
	Order placed on 16.3.94				268
3.	M/s Himachal Futuristic Communication Ltd; 8, Commercial Complex, Greater Kailash, New Delhi.	401	71,268	Ahmedabad Distt.	110
				Gujarat	52
				Kerala	20
				Haryana	30
				Karnataka	44
	Order placed on 17.3.94			U.P.	69
				H.P.	76
					401

Land Acquisition by ONGC in Upper Assam

*349. SHRI JALALUDIN ANSARI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) has been acquiring land in Upper Assam areas from time to time for oil exploration; if so, the details of the acquired land during the last decade, year-wise and location-wise;

(b) the details of area of land so acquired, case-wise, alongwith its respective cost paid to previous owners alongwith their names; and

(c) the criteria/procedure adopted in fixing/determining prices/compensation paid for said land acquisitions, case-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPTAIN SATISH SHARMA): (a) Yes, Sir. The details are given in the Statement I laid on the Table of the House (*See* below).

(b) Details of the area of the land acquired, alongwith respective cost paid to previous owners are given in the Statement—II laid on the Table of the House (*See* below).

(c) The plots of land required for ONGC's activities are acquired through the Stats Revenue Authorities under the provisions of the Land Acquisition Act,